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AND THEIR USE

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Preliminarily amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Amend the claims as follows:

8. (Amended) A polypeptide according to claim 1 which inhibits the binding of an E2F protein to an E2F DNA binding site with an *in vitro* IC50 of less than 100µM.
9. (Amended) A polypeptide which comprises a first portion having the amino acid sequence of a polypeptide defined in claim 1 and a second portion, attached to the N- or C-terminus of the first portion, which comprises a sequence of amino acids not naturally contiguous to the first portion, said second portion comprising a membrane translocation sequence.